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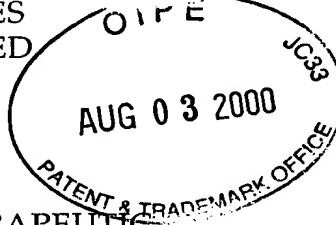
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Title : CHRONOTHERAPEUTIC  
FORMULATIONS OF DILTIAZEM  
AND THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF

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Group Art Unit: 1615

**Due Date: August 3, 2000**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION  
OF MAY 3, 2000  
AMENDMENTS AND REMARKS**

August 2, 2000

The Commissioner of Patents  
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE  
2011 South Clark Place  
Crystal Plaza 2, Room 1B03  
Arlington, Virginia 22202  
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action dated May 3, 2000 and due for response August 3, 2000, Applicant respectfully submits the following:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Applicant has carried out a computerized spell check of the Specification and determined that no spelling errors are present.